

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of:

Jeffery S. Thompson et al

Case No: CH2750 US DIV1

Application No.: NEW

Prior Group Art Unit: 1741

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FOR: Low Temperature Alkali Metal Electrolysis

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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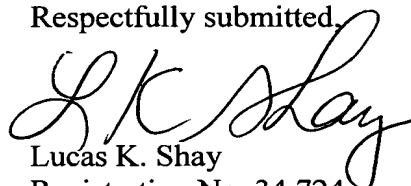
Responsive to the final restriction requirement for application 10/046,485, applicants submit the accompanying divisional application for those non-elected claims.

Applicants submit the amendment to specification beginning at page 2.

Applicants also submit the amendment to claims beginning at page 3.

New claims 46-50 are disclosed on page 9, lines 15-18.

Respectfully submitted,



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